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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Joseph A. Giordano et al.

Serial No.: 09/224,027

Filed: December 31, 1998

For: DISPENSING SYSTEM AND
METHOD WITH RADIO
FREQUENCY CUSTOMER
IDENTIFICATION

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Examiner: F. Poinvil

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the December 6, 2000 Office action, please amend the claims as follows:

In the Claims:

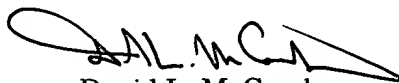
Please cancel claims 1-12, 17, 24, and ~~56~~ without prejudice or disclaimer.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-12, 17, 24, and 56 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of claims 25, 27-32, 50, 51, 53-55 and 57. A Notice of Allowability is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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